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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2016-0043]

**Clarification of Compensatory Measure Requirements for
Physical Protection Program Deficiencies**

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Regulatory issue summary; issuance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2017-04, "Clarification on the Implementation of Compensatory Measures for Protective Strategy Deficiencies or Degraded or Inoperable Security Systems, Equipment, or Components." This RIS reminds addressees that they are required to implement compensatory measures supported by an assessment to ensure their physical protection program maintains, at all times, the capability to detect, assess, interdict, and neutralize threats as identified in NRC regulations. Compensatory measures must be implemented for degraded or inoperable security systems, equipment, or components, and for protective strategy deficiencies identified during performance evaluation exercises and drills.

DATES: The RIS is available as of **[INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2016-0043 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- **Federal Rulemaking Web Site:** Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2016-0043. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-415-3463; e-mail: Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individual listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NRC published a notice of opportunity for public comment on this RIS in the *Federal Register* on March 1, 2016 (81 FR 10686). The agency received two sets of comments. The staff considered all comments, which resulted in minor changes to the RIS. The evaluation of these comments is discussed in a publicly-available memorandum which is in ADAMS under Accession No. ML16110A370.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 30th day of August 2017.

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